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PETER PARKER WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER AND GAINED THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED, STRENGTH, AND AGILITY OF AN ARACHNID, ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES, AND THE UNIQUE PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER CALLED *"SPIDER-SENSE"!* AFTER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF HIS UNCLE BEN, PETER UNDERSTOOD THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY, AND BECAME THE WALL-CRAWLING, WISECRACKING SUPER HERO CALLED…**SPIDER-MAN!**

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WHILE INVESTIGATING A SERIES OF ATTACKS BY AN INVISIBLE ASSAILANT, *DAILY BUGLE* REPORTER MARY JANE WATSON AND PETER PARKER, A.K.A. SPIDER-MAN, BECAME TARGETS THEMSELVES. USING HIS SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE, SPIDER-MAN CREATED A TRAP FOR THE GHOSTLY ATTACKER, REVEALING HER TO BE A VERY MUCH ALIVE YOUNG WOMAN WITH SUPER-SPEED POWERS. WHEN SPIDER-MAN ATTEMPTED TO REASON WITH HER, THE SPEEDSTER BROKE LOOSE, REFUELED AND SET HER SIGHTS ON SOME HIGH-SPEED REVENGE!

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HAVEN'T BEEN THIS THOROUGHLY OWNED BY A TEENAGER--
--SINCE I WAS ONE.
NEVER FORGET.
KIDS CAN BE MEAN.
SWAAACK
I AUGMENTED MY ARMOR TO REACT TO HER SPEED.
THOUGHT I COULD STORE HER KINETIC ENERGY AND USE IT TO DECREASE REACTION TIME.
IT'S WORKING. SORT OF. EVERY ATTACK SPEEDS ME UP.
BUT THEN SHE JUST GOES FASTER.
WHY WON'T
EVERYONE JUST
LEAVE ME ALONE?
AND FASTER AND FASTER. THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE A LIMIT.
THOOOM
SO FAST YOU CAN'T EVEN SEE HER.
IT'S WHY MJ THOUGHT SHE WAS DEALING WITH A GHOST.
BUT THIS GIRL IS SCARIER THAN ANY GHOST.

HATE RUNNING AWAY.
HATE LEAVING HER ALONE.
SHE'S JUST AN ANGRY KID MOVING WAY TOO FAST.
BUT MY SUIT'S CRACKING UP. ENERGY CONTAINMENT FAILING.
THWAAAK
THIS BUG WASN'T BUILT FOR SO MUCH SPEED.
AND IF THIS SUIT GOES BOOM...
...I GO SPLAT.
THIS--
--IS NOT--
DO NOT CROSS
--O--
--KAAAAY!

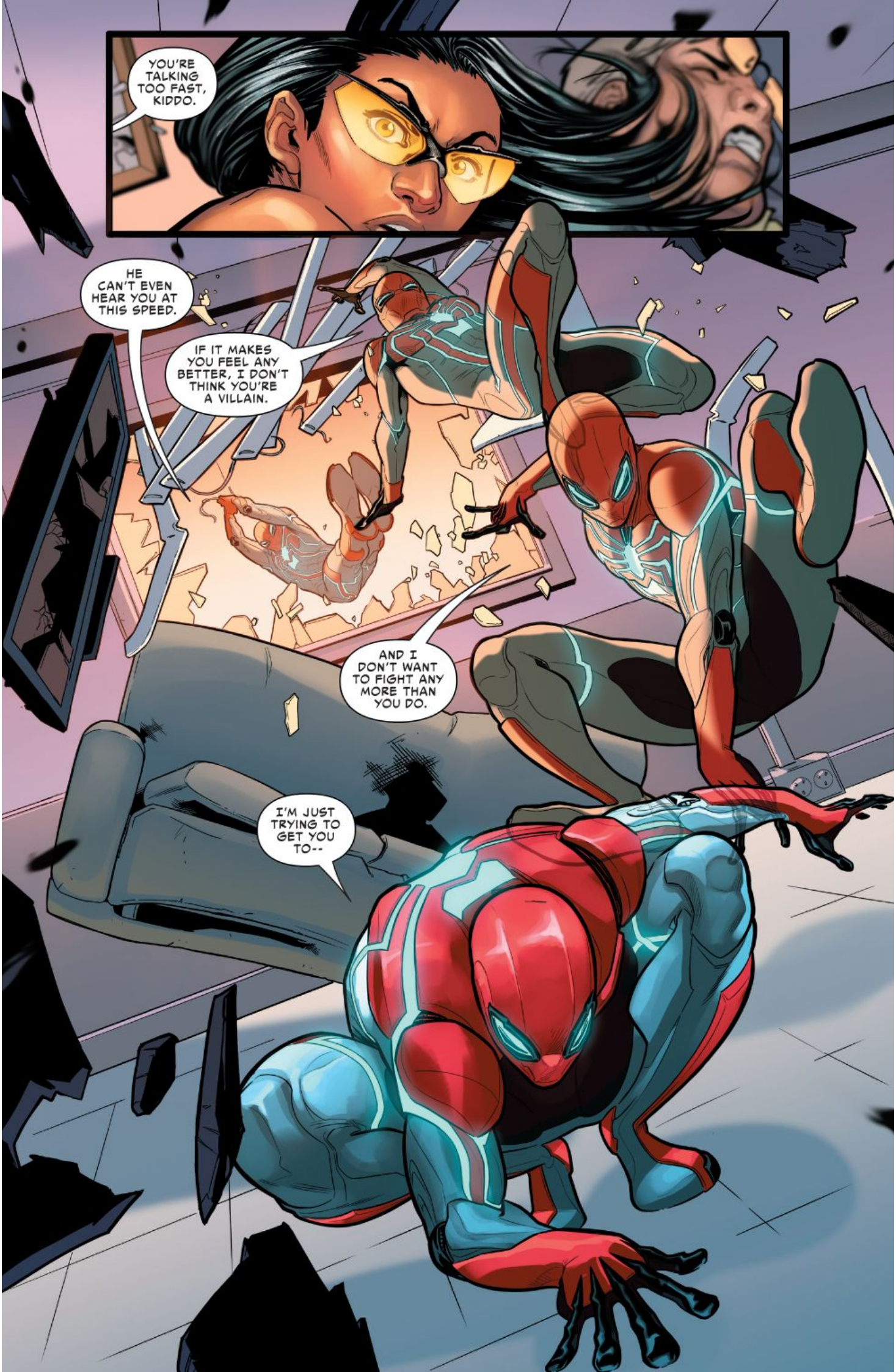
KREEESH
WHOOAAH!
REEETCH!
QUIT PLAYING IT SAFE, PARKER.
MAD SCIENCE PROBLEMS REQUIRE MAD SCIENCE SOLUTIONS.
THAT'S WHAT OTTO ALWAYS SAID.

Later.
HEY, MJ, IT'S PETER.
THAT OBVIOUSLY DID NOT WORK, BUT I SURVIVED IT...AND I HAVE AN IDEA.
I'LL BE AT OCTAVIUS LABS IF YOU NEED ME.
HERE I AM, DOC.
COME TO CHANNEL SOME OF THE MADNESS--
--THAT GOT YOU LOCKED IN THE RAFT.*
*AS SEEN IN THE NOW-CLASSIC SPIDER-MAN: CITY AT WAR #6! --MB
SEE IF I CAN'T TURN THIS SUIT SUPERSONIC--
--AND RUN DOWN A GHOST.
YOU'D BE IN HERE GRINNING FROM EAR TO EAR.
BUT I'M NOT YOU.
I'M NOT SMILING.
AND I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN DO THIS WITHOUT YOU.

AUTOPSY. JAMES HARVEY. AGE 31.
CAUSE OF DEATH...
SMOKE INHALATION AND SEVERE BURNS TO THE RESPIRATORY TRACT.
WANTED FOR THE MURDER OF A *DAILY BUGLE* REPORTER BUT ELUDED POLICE. I'D FORGOTTEN THAT.
SO HE'S MISSING FOR MONTHS AFTER MAGGIE'S DEATH.
THEN BURNS UP AT HOME.
IN A SUDDEN AND UNEXPLAINED APARTMENT FIRE.
DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. IF YOU KILLED MAGGIE, THEN WHO KILLED YOU?
RNNG RNNG RNNG
HEY, BEN, IT'S MJ. I'VE GOT A HUNCH WHO OUR GHOST MIGHT BE, BUT I NEED YOU TO CHECK MY MATH.
DOES IT SAY ANYWHERE IF JAMES HARVEY HAS A *DAUGHTER?*

ISN'T THAT AN INTRIGUING QUESTION?
YOU DON'T KNOW THE HALF OF IT.
MMM... YES. IT LOOKS LIKE HE DOES.
"HALEY HARVEY. BORN JUST A FEW MONTHS BEFORE HIS DEATH.
"TREATED FOR SMOKE INHALATION AFTER THE FIRE.
"BUT SURVIVED AND LIVES IN QUEENS WITH HER MOTHER CARLA HARVEY.
"SHE'S A JUNIOR AT MIDTOWN HIGH SCHOOL."
DO YOU HAVE A HOME ADDRESS?
I DON'T, BUT IT IS A SCHOOL DAY IF YOU WANT TO TRY THAT.
SOMETHING TELLS ME SHE'S BEEN CUTTING CLASS, BUT I'LL GIVE IT A SHOT.
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT, MARY JANE?
I THINK NORMAN OSBORN GAVE JAMES HARVEY SUPER-SPEED POWERS AND HE PASSED THEM ON TO HIS DAUGHTER-- WHO HAS BEEN PLAYING GHOST TO SCARE US OFF THE TRAIL.

I'M ABOUT TO BE UNDERGROUND, BUT I'LL RING YOU LATER WHEN I KNOW MORE.
O--
--KAY THEN.
FROOOSH
I DIDN'T WANNA HURT YOU PEOPLE JUST FOR BEING SLOW
HRRRK!
SO I'VE WARNED YOU OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN.
BUT DO YOU GIVE YOUR STORY A REST? NO!
I GET LOCKED IN A BASEMENT AND HAVE TO FIGHT STUPID SPIDER-MAN?!
I DON'T WANNA FIGHT SPIDER-MAN!
HE THINKS I'M ONE OF HIS GROSS VILLAINS BECAUSE OF YOU.
AND NOW I HAVE TO DEAL WITH *THAT!*


YOU'RE TALKING TOO FAST, KIDDO.
HE CAN'T EVEN HEAR YOU AT THIS SPEED.
IF IT MAKES YOU FEEL ANY BETTER, I DON'T THINK YOU'RE A VILLAIN.
AND I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT ANY MORE THAN YOU DO.
I'M JUST TRYING TO GET YOU TO--

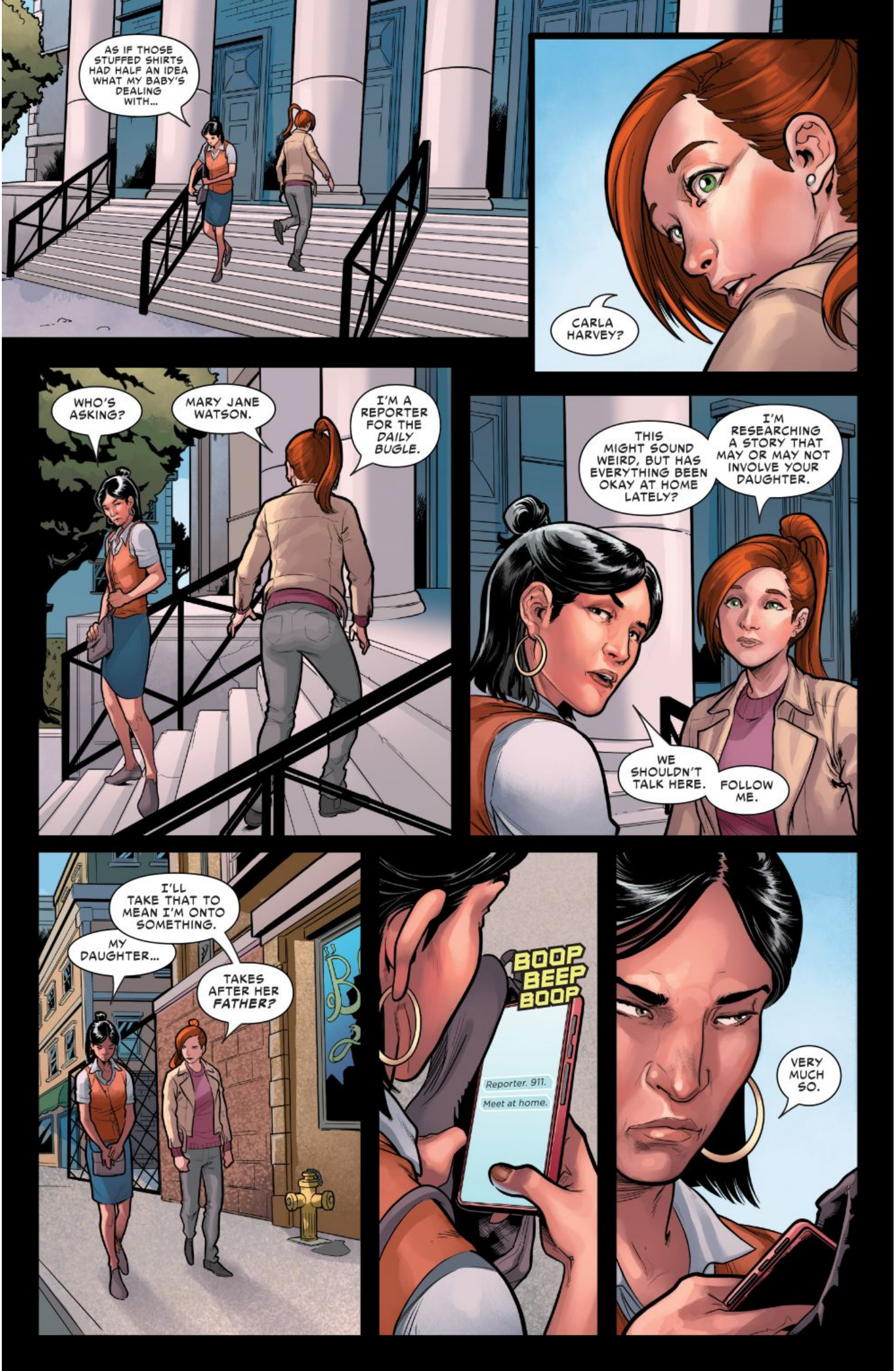
KRAAASH
--SLOW DOWN.
DON'T TELL ME!
WHAT TO DO!
THNKK
THIS ISN'T MY FAULT!
I DIDN'T SAY IT WAS.
THWIP THWIP
THWIP
THWIP THWIP
HANG IN THERE, BEN.

WHAT...
...THE HELL?

WE APPRECIATE YOU COMING IN TODAY, MRS. HARVEY.
FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND THAT HALEY'S SUCCESS AND WELL-BEING IS OUR PRIMARY CONCERN IN ALL OF THIS.
MIDTOWN HIGH SCHOOL
MMM HMM.
WHEN ONE OF OUR BEST AND BRIGHTEST IS STRUGGLING, WE WANT TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO GET HER BACK ON THE WINNING PATH.
"SO IF MY DAUGHTER WASN'T ALWAYS AT THE TOP OF YOUR HONOR ROLL, YOU'D WHAT?
"LET HER SLIP THROUGH THE CRACKS?"
"NO ONE SAID THAT."
"DIDN'T YOU?"
THE SIMPLE FACT, MRS. HARVEY, IS THAT HALEY HASN'T BEEN HERSELF LATELY.
HOW ARE HER GRADES?
MRS. HARVEY.
WELL?
"HER GRADES ARE EXEMPLARY, AS USUAL.
"BUT THAT ISN'T THE POINT."
"THEN WHAT IS THE POINT? OF HIGH SCHOOL?"

BECAUSE I HAD TO TRADE SHIFTS TO BE HERE TODAY, AND I'D REALLY APPRECIATE YOU TELLING ME WHY.
OUR CONCERN IS YOUR DAUGHTER'S ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR.
"ANGER MANAGEMENT.
"IMPULSE CONTROL.
"SHE'S BEEN ACTING OUT MORE AND MORE RECENTLY AND--"
GIVING BULLIES AND CREEPS A WHAT FOR?
SHE'S A TEENAGER. SO LONG AS SHE KEEPS GETTING A'S I'M GOING TO HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING WORKED UP ABOUT A LITTLE ANGST.
YES, WELL, GOOD GRADES OR NOT, YOUR DAUGHTER HASN'T BEEN IN CLASS FOR TWO WEEKS.
AND I'M AFRAID MAILING IN COMPLETED ASSIGNMENTS DOESN'T QUITE CUT IT HERE AT MIDTOWN HIGH.
RIGHT. NO.
I... DIDN'T REALIZE THAT.

LISTEN, I KNOW HOW HARD IT IS.
NO.
YOU.
DON'T! NO ONE DOES.
I'M SPIDER-MAN, KID.
I DO KNOW WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO BE SUPER POWERFUL ALL OF A SUDDEN.
BUT YOU CAN'T RUN ALL OVER THE CITY STEALING AND HARASSING AND ASSAULTING PEOPLE.
ABUSERS AND CREEPS.
HAD IT.
COMING.
WHAT ABOUT THE *DAILY BUGLE* REPORTERS?
BEN AND MJ ARE TOTALLY INNOCENT.
REPORTERS!
STUPID!
PFFFT!
ARE GONNA GET SOMEBODY KILLED!


AS IF THOSE STUFFED SHIRTS HAD HALF AN IDEA WHAT MY BABY'S DEALING WITH...
CARLA HARVEY?
WHO'S ASKING?
MARY JANE WATSON.
I'M A REPORTER FOR THE DAILY BUGLE.
THIS MIGHT SOUND WEIRD, BUT HAS EVERYTHING BEEN OKAY AT HOME LATELY?
I'M RESEARCHING A STORY THAT MAY OR MAY NOT INVOLVE YOUR DAUGHTER.
WE SHOULDN'T TALK HERE.
FOLLOW ME.
I'LL TAKE THAT TO MEAN I'M ONTO SOMETHING.
MY DAUGHTER...
TAKES AFTER HER FATHER?
BOOP BEEP BOOP
Reporter. 911.
Meet at home.
VERY MUCH SO.

HAVE TO PLAY THIS THING JUST RIGHT.
KID GLOVES.
PLEASE, KID.
NO!
IN HER MIND SHE'S BEEN DOING WHAT'S RIGHT.
HAS AN ANGRY TEENAGE JUSTIFICATION FOR EVERYTHING.
MEANS SHE CAN BE WALKED BACK IF I'M CAREFUL.
STOP!
CHASING!
ME!
BUT THAT ANGER IS BURNING HOT.
JUST!
BACK!
OFF!
FIGHT HER LIKE A VILLAIN AND SHE'LL ACT LIKE A VILLAIN.
I'M SORRY.
THESE SPEEDS ARE TOO DANGEROUS.
I CAN'T LET YOU RUN AROUND LIKE THIS.
IF YOU COULD CATCH ME--
--YOU WOULD'VE ALREADY.
GOOD CALL.

PLAN B THEN.
HEY!
IT'S OVER NOW, OKAY?
WHOA! WHOA! WHOA!
IT CAN BE OVER.
BOOP BEEP BOOP
Mom
Reporter. 911.
Meet at home.
MOM!

SO HALEY INHERITED HER FATHER'S SPEED, BUT IT ONLY MANIFESTED RECENTLY?
JUST A COUPLE MONTHS BACK. SOMEHOW SEEMS SO MUCH LONGER.
I THOUGHT WE WERE DONE WITH THIS NIGHTMARE.
AFTER THE FIRE AND THAT RIDICULOUS MURDER INVESTIGATION.
FACT IS MAGGIE LORCA GOT HERSELF KILLED STICKING HER NOSE IN WHERE IT DIDN'T BELONG.
CHASING SOME TABLOID TRASH STORY ABOUT JAMES...AND AFTER WHAT HE'D BEEN THROUGH.
JUST DESPICABLE.
AND HOW DID THAT FOOL REPORTER EVEN KNOW WHERE TO LOOK? HMM?
WELL...
NORMAN OSBORN. THAT'S HOW.
SENT HER TO ROOT JIMMIE OUT SO HE COULD COVER UP HIS MISTAKE.
ACTUALLY... ACCORDING TO HER NOTES... JAMES REACHED OUT TO MAGGIE HIMSELF.
...WHAT?
SAID HE WANTED TO OUT OSCORP. SHINE A LIGHT ON THEIR ILLEGAL GENETIC TESTING.
SAVE OTHER PEOPLE FROM SUFFERING LIKE HE DID.
NO...

WHAT ARE YOU!
DOING!
IN MY HOUSE!
IDIOT!
REPORTER?!
TOLD YOU!
OVER!
AND OVER!
AND OVER!
HALEY, NO!
DO I HAVE TO!
LITERALLY HURT YOU!
TO MAKE YOU LISTEN?!
LEAVE!
ME!
AND MY MOM!
ALONE!

SORRY.
I GOT THIS.
I GOT THIS.
I GOT--
I GOT NOTHING.
AAAAAAGGH!
To Be Continued...

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Spider-Man's Velocity suit is fast... but your emails about the series are coming in faster! Let's check out some of your messages!

Hi guys!

I've never collected comic books before and recently I've been wanting to start collecting. I went to my local comic shop to check it out and that's when I saw a series [MARVEL'S SPIDER-MAN: CITY AT WAR] based on my favorite game of all time! I bought all six, and while I was checking out, the owner told me about the VELOCITY series, so of course I had him put one on hold for me. I just finished CITY AT WAR and I can't wait to go pick up VELOCITY. Keep up the great work!

Ryan

We're glad we helped break you into the wide world of comics, Ryan!

Please, I'm begging you, keep doing this series! I absolutely fell in love with Earth-1048 Peter and his dumb, goofy self in the PS4 game, and I was incredibly delighted to see more of that faithfully translated to an all-new comic story. I loved the Spider-Geddon story with its little character moments, and this creative team has managed to fill a whole book with them. And it's not just Pete that shines here, it's Mary Jane and even Ben "1,000 Years Old" Urich, too! I absolutely adored the relationships the characters had and how organic they all felt, especially given they've already all been together for a while. The art style more matched the overall tone of the story while still looking incredible, and I love how the prototype suit still had the Advanced Suit design under it. Thank you all so much for doing my favorite Spider-Man the justice he deserves.

Matt Carlton

That prototype suit bit is one of my favorite parts of the issue, too.

Dear Marvel Dudes,

I loved the video game and I had to get this to see the rest of the story. I think the story is amazing, even spectacular. It was funny, but I think you should give MJ her freckles. I really liked the Arachknight jokes. Can't wait for future issues!

Logan M. Gillies

Dennis had a couple versions of that Arachknight scene, all of which were hilarious, but rest assured—the best was the one you read!

I want to start by saying a big thank-you to the writers and producers behind this project! It's great to see a story like this already taking off! I'm also a major fan of the Velocity Suit in-game. (Used it from the moment I could. I just wish he had the classic eyes that moved like lenses, but it's incredible nonetheless.) This has been my first comic purchase in a long while and I'm certainly looking forward to the following edition. Thanks again for taking the time to read this and I hope Gamerverse continues creating great content!

Yamil Casas

That's our plan, Yamil.

Hey, Marvel people! I just read SPIDER-MAN: VELOCITY #1 and loved it! Sending a second copy to my friend for good measure. Thanks for making awesome comics as always!

Cheers,
Sonia Ferrante

Sonia, you've set a fine example for your peers.

Hey Marvel,

I've played the entire *Marvel's Spider-Man* game and it was just "spider-sense"-ational. I've also read the whole of its miniseries MARVEL'S SPIDER-MAN: CITY AT WAR and it was just Marvel-ous. Now that I've read VELOCITY #1, I'll save us all from another bad pun by calling it spectacular and I can't wait to see what the second issue has in store for us. I've got two question though, if you don't mind answering them:

A) Is the VELOCITY miniseries set before or after the three DLCs of the game?

B) Is the VELOCITY miniseries set before or after Spider-Geddon? Many thanks.

Love all the work and effort you guys put in,
Yoseph

Good questions, Yoseph! VELOCITY is set before the DLC and Spider-Geddon. Keep your eyes peeled for some news related to that DLC story though from our side of things...

Ever since playing *Marvel's Spider-Man* for PS4, I wanted to get more of this universe. I loved CITY AT WAR and I was so excited to hear that they would be continuing on with SPIDER-MAN: VELOCITY! I loved the first issue and I cannot wait to read the rest of the story! This is one of my favorite depictions of Peter Parker and Spider-Man so far and I wanted to show my support for the Gamerverse! Keep writing and I'll keep reading!

Best wishes,
Will Nunn
Columbia, SC

Well, *you* keep writing letters, and we'll keep making letter columns to print them! And, you know, the comics themselves to run the letter columns to ask you to keep writing in to us...

I am loving this comic so much! I will be buying the VELOCITY comic and I'm very excited it comes out on my 21st birthday. It's the best gift Marvel could have given me.

Much Love,
Llama

Happy Belated Birthday, Llama! Your next gift arrives next month, with SPIDER-MAN: VELOCITY #4! See you all there!

—Mark

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